

France Attempting Gospel of Self-Help on the Continent

With all the political confusion and economic chaos on the European continent today a special spotlight of intense interest is being focused on France.

In France the present premier, Robert Schuman, despite his shaky position between the Left Wing and General DeGaulle, is appearing to be heading Europe's drive for economic self-sufficiency. Schuman has cracked down on inflation and the black market with a series of bills offered to the National Assembly—and early this morning the assembly sustained him in a vital test vote.

Two things are significant in the French move:

1. France is the first war-torn nation of Europe to attempt to help itself by drastic reform in domestic policy, and
2. Schuman's policy was fought in the parliament by both the radicals, on the Left, and the conservatives, on the right.

Americans, knowing all the ramifications of politics in a democratic country, will appreciate Schuman's effort and applaud his victory—temporary though it may be.

By JAMES THRASHER

A Tragic Call to Action

On Jan. 7, a two-engine plane of Coastal Airlines, Inc., crashed near Savannah, Ga. The pilot and 16 passengers were killed; the other nine aboard were severely injured. A month earlier, an Alaska Airlines plane crashed in Seattle, Wash., killing five and injuring a dozen others. Last October, the flying boat Bermuda Sky Queen was forced down at sea. Good fortune, a sturdy hull, and the heroic work of the crews of surface craft saved the lives of all 69 persons aboard.

We mention these three accidents because, in each case, planes operated by charter, or non-scheduled, airlines were involved. And in each case there was reason to doubt that the ill-fated aircraft should even have been allowed in the air.

The Bermuda Sky Queen was operating from Europe in violation of a Civil Aeronautics Board ruling that non-scheduled lines should not carry passengers in international travel. Alaska Airlines had not been certified for scheduled flights between Alaska and Seattle. Coastal Airlines, more than four months ago, was charged with a series of safety violations by the CAB.

Aug. 2, a CAA inspector found that a Coastal Airlines plane had not had the required 100-hour safety inspection. It was no longer record. It was operating with an improper load manifest, and the co-pilot was wearing his seat belt for continuous flying—illegal.

A week later, another CAA inspector checked another Coastal Airlines craft, which was loaded and taxiing for the take-off. He found the left main tire unsafe. The engine was not properly secured, and the fuel line to the right engine was leaking. All fabric-covered surfaces and the right aileron surface were found "in bad condition." The elevators were cracked, the plane was overloaded, and the baggage was improperly secured. The CAA brought charges of safety violation against this line, to be sure. But what happened from August to January? The CAA legal department was "processing" the charges. Meanwhile 16 persons have been killed.

All but one of the passengers aboard that plane were Puerto Ricans returning home from the mainland. It may be assumed that they were not well-to-do, and that they had taken the chartered plane because the fare was no lower than on a scheduled line. It was lower because the CAB permits passengers to gamble their lives against a saving in money when they ride a non-scheduled airliner. There are scores of safety precautions which a scheduled line must take, but which a non-scheduled carrier is legally permitted to ignore.

For the scheduled operators, more safety regulations mean more experienced, higher-salaried pilots, larger crews, more maintenance, more reports and bookwork. All that costs money. For the non-scheduled operators, fewer safety regulations mean lower overhead. To protect the safety investment of the certificated line, the CAB has been more than willing to charge higher fares, and technically forbids the non-certificated lines to compete through cheaper, frequent, regular runs.

But the evidence shows that our civil aviation authorities are lax in enforcement and slow in punishment. They do not even insist that their own discriminatory rules be obeyed. They do not warn prospective passengers that, along with cheaper passage, they buy a better chance of being killed.

There have been enough avoidable crashes of chartered aircraft to prove that stricter enforcement is needed. The CAB and CAA should never again wait for a tragic loss of life to stir them into action.

20 Years Ago Today

Jan. 30, 1923
The Red Ball garage on North Hazel was damaged by fire yesterday about 3 o'clock and loss is estimated between \$1200 and \$1500. —Miss Beryl Henry, corresponding secretary of the Arkansas Education Association was commended by the association's official newspaper—Basil E. Newton announced for alderman in Ward One. —A total of 940,000 bales of cotton were ginned in Arkansas prior to January 15. A total of 17,500 bales were ginned in Hempstead county. —"The Runaway Express" with Jack Daugherty was playing at a local theater along with a stage show "The Panhandle Cowboy String Band."

Arkansas: Cloudy with freezing rain or snow in north portion. Not quite so cold this afternoon. Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday. Not so cold Saturday.

A True Pioneer



Reminiscent of the early pioneering days when covered wagons transported families around our country, Mrs. Arthur Lamear, 53, of Bethel, Vermont, has started home in Bethel, Kansas where she and her husband will raise goats. Mrs. Lamear expects to arrive at her destination sometime in April.

British Air Hero Believed to Be Lost

London, Jan. 30 —(P)—Sir Arthur Coningham, British Air hero of World War II, is believed to have been lost with 28 other persons today aboard a British commercial plane enroute to Bermuda.

This afternoon the plane was eight hours overdue at the island outpost. British South American Airways said hopes for its safety looked bleak. The ship was a British-made Tudor IV.

A dispatch from Bermuda said the plane was reported to have crashed 440 miles northeast of Bermuda and seven search planes were looking for the wreckage.

The plane left London Tuesday stopping at Lisbon and the Azores. It was delayed at the Azores by extremely severe weather, the airline announcement said.

Most of the passengers were British. The airline said there were at least 23 passengers and six crewmen aboard.

Sir Arthur retired last November.

In World War II, he worked with the British Eighth Army in North Africa and formed the first tactical air force in France. He was in Italy in 1945, also took part in Italian operations. He was born in Brisbane, Australia, 53 years ago.

Polio Funds Reach \$773; Drive Extended

Jim LaGrossa, Hempstead county March of Dimes chairman, today announced a total of \$773.90 collected to date. Quota for the county is \$3500. Names of donors are published in the Arkansas Star.

Arkansas annual March of Dimes will be continued through February 10, it was announced today by Governor Ben Laney, honorary chairman of the drive in Arkansas.

However, Governor Laney said, "we have a long way to go before reaching our goal, and this acute cold spell is not making things any easier." Outdoor March of Dimes activities were usually at a standstill, he said, because of sub-freezing temperatures.

In this emergency, the Governor today urged each County Director of the March of Dimes as follows: "Abnormal weather conditions have seriously affected March of Dimes solicitations in Arkansas."

"Since the need for polio relief funds was never more acute, I urgently request that you continue March of Dimes through Friday, February 10, in order that your County's quota may be assured."

Contributors:	
Hope Star	\$50.00
J. A. Martin	2.00
T. A. Jackson	1.00
C. W. Turley	1.00
Oscar Greenberg	10.00
R. M. Bruner	1.00
J. P. Byers	10.00
John P. Vesey	2.50
Mrs. Ralph Rounton	2.00
O. A. Graves	10.00
Maude Hamilton	2.50
Mrs. J. J. Battle	1.00
Mrs. S. D. Esson	5.00
Flora Hicks	1.00
Leland H. Warmack	5.00
Paul M. Simms, Jr.	5.00
L. W. Young	2.50
Geo. M. Green	1.00
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Mrs. E. D. Brown	5.00
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S. Jerome Smith	10.00
J. J. Bruce	2.00
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Reds Again Protest U. S. Military Moves

Washington, Jan. 30 —(P)—A second Russian protest against American military moves in the Mediterranean has been received by the state department.

Officials said today the note is under study, but did not disclose what it says. The Moscow radio said it protests that the presence of American warships in Italian ports violates the new peace treaty with Italy.

Secretary Marshall is expected to reject outright an earlier Soviet protest against American plans to restore the strategically important wartime airfield at Mellaba in North Africa.

Wreckage of Two Planes Found

Frankfurt, Germany, Jan. 30 —(P)—U. S. Air Force headquarters reported today the sighting of plane wreckage in the lower French Alps and another plane, presumably a B-17 in the search party had crashed 20 miles east of the wreckage.

The first plane was believed to be a D-3 transport which disappeared on a flight enroute from France to Italy. It carried three American women and five children, dependents of U. S. soldiers in the Trieste area.

The wreckage of this twin-engine craft was sighted 12 miles northwest of Digne, France, the air force headquarters at Wiesbaden reported.

One of the pilots in the search party said he had seen the second plane crash and explode. It appeared to him to be a Flying Fortress (B-17).

The air force announced the names of three of the crew members who had seen the wreckage. Pilot-Lt. Earl E. Baskin of Florence, S. C.

Co-Pilot-Second Lt. Terrvel H. Trexler of Dunn, N. C.

Their wives live near the Rhine-Main airbase where the D-3 was stationed. The name of a fourth crewman will be announced later.

Searchers said there appeared to be no life about the wreckage of the D-3.

Ground crews started immediately for the wreck scene.

The missing plane took off from Istres Air Base near Marseille, France for Udine, Italy, Tuesday on what was to have been a three-and-a-half hour flight.

The women and children passengers had arrived by ship Saturday at Bremerhaven, Germany, from the United States. They were on the last leg of their trip to Trieste.

An army spokesman said the names of those aboard would be released tomorrow morning at 8 a. m. EST, after next of kin have been notified.

Estimate on Spending Cut by 6 Per Cent

Washington, Jan. 30 —(P)—The House Appropriations Committee brought in the first big money bill of the 1948 session today with a 6 per cent cut in President Truman's spending estimates.

Among other things, the committee whacked the president's own emergency fund from \$1,000,000 to \$700,000. It said he has been using it for things which "cannot be classified on any reasonable basis" as emergencies.

The bill is to provide funds for the presidential office and 22 other government agencies for the fiscal year starting July 1. The committee recommended a total of \$991,343,551. The president's estimate, through the budget bureau, was \$1,047,798,861.

The committee cut \$100,000 from the \$400,000 requested for the president's Council of Economic Advisers.

It threw out a \$504,000 item to get ready for any possible emergency which might make it necessary to draft men into the army again.

The committee said it does not believe the draft training by the Office of Selective Service records is "warranted" at this time.

Explaining the cut in the president's emergency fund, the committee said the money is supposed to "provide for emergencies affecting the national interest of security."

It said the money should not be spent to establish "boards or commissions" or for other non-emergency uses to which similar funds have been put "during 1948 and in previous years."

The \$700,000 recommended was still \$200,000 more than the president got last year.

Playing With Children Gets You in Dutch With Parents But Its a Lot of Fun

By HAL BOYLE
New York —(P)—Where can you buy a freckle?

I need one bad. I'm in a jam. If I don't find one soon a little girl is going to be mad at me. She said I took it and haven't brought it back.

Other people's kids — they get me in more odd predicaments. But I don't have any children of my own, so I have to play with those that belong to other people.

Children do for me what music, books, movies, golf or gambling does for many grownups — that is, they lift me out of the world of ivory and the high cost of living.

Critics who complain the modern world has lost the art of conversation must never talk to children. If you try to talk down to them, they quickly find you out and shut up. But if you can take the anchor of your adult imagination — what a wonderful realm you enter with them. Common sense is nonsense, and nonsense is commonsense, and every sentence holds a surprise.

Someday it will be a penitentiary offense to put a rein on the fancies of children, who are born poets and die — well, something less than poets.

My games with children, however, usually put me in dutch with their parents, who complain later: "It took us two hours after you left to quiet junior and get him to go to bed. You got him over-excited."

I am in bad standing now at one household which has a small boy who wants to become another Thomas Edison. This young mechanical genius asked me about heaven, and I did my best to explain to him all about this place where I hope some day to get my mail. I answered all his questions with the latest information I have. But the other day his father re-

2 Negroes Will Seek to Enter State University

Pine Bluff, Jan. 30 —(P)—One Negro and perhaps two — probably will seek to enroll in person in the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville Monday, according to W. A. Branton of Pine Bluff.

Branton, Negro taxi cab company manager, listed the "possibilities" as himself and another Negro whom he declined to identify by name.

(At Little Rock the Arkansas Gazette said the second Negro's name is Silas Hunt and reported that Hunt sought admission to the university in 1946.)

At present, no comment on either, if rejected, apparently would be followed by law suits similar to those which have been filed in other southern states by would-be Negro students.

Arkansas law specifies separate educational institutions for whites and Negroes, the United States Supreme court has ruled both races must have available equal facilities.

Branton said he had planned to attempt to enroll in the university's college of business administration, but that he was to be married at Memphis Sunday, and was uncertain whether he would be able to reach Fayetteville Monday.

He added, however, he was "pretty sure" the second Negro would be on hand to seek enrollment in the university law school.

Branton related he had applied by mail and had not been referred to the Negro A. M. and N. college here, which he said is not accredited and does not offer a degree in business administration.

"I believe I have enough material now on which to file a lawsuit (seeking to force his admission) if it becomes necessary," he said.

University officials declined comment in the absence from Fayetteville of President Lewis Webster Jones.

Branton said he had three letters from white students at the university requesting that he be at the institution Monday and to "bring others if you can."

A native of Pine Bluff and a World War 2 air force veteran, Branton attended A. M. and N. college for a year before entering service.

At A. M. and N. he was a friend of Ada Lois Sipuel Fisher, Negro woman, seeking to enter the University of Oklahoma law school.

Little Rock, Jan. 30 —(P)—Current efforts of Negroes for admission to established schools in the south are "strictly a matter of education and not a question of education," Governor Laney declared today.

Rosston War Hero Returned for Burial

The body of Pvt. Johnny D. Ellis who was killed in the European War, was returned to Hope today at 2:05 p. m. Tuesday, February 3, the Herndon-Cornelius Funeral Home was notified today.

He lived near Rosston and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher C. Ellis of Route 1, Rosston. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

proached me bitterly: "What ideas are you putting in my head anyway? He has informed his mother he never wants to go to heaven because it doesn't have an escalator. He says he would rather go to a department store."

The only deal with the younger generation I have come out ahead in recently concerns the purchase of a dog by two children of some friends in Indianapolis. The kids made a small contribution to the fund, and another friend later put in some, too.

The kids bought a dachshund. I was so long they decided it needed two names. So they named the freckle and "Hal" for me—and generously named the back half "Charley" in honor of the last contributor.

Now, about that freckle. I played-pretended to pluck it off the nose of this five-year-old girl after a visit a month ago.

Last week I called again, and she kept up behind me and whispered in my ear: "Please, I want my freckle back. I think it is lonesome for me."

"I am taking awfully good care of it."

"Do you take it out for a walk every day on a leash?" she asked. Somewhat flabbergasted at the mental picture of a freckle out for a stroll, I hemmed and hawed and she said very solemnly: "I really do want my freckle back. Please mail it to me this week, and don't forget."

What happens now? The only thing I can think of is to tell her the freckle changed into a chocolate bar and mail her one.

Famed India Religious Leader, Mohandas K. Gandhi, Shot to Death; May Mean Outright War

By G. MITON KELLY
New Delhi, Jan. 30 —(P)—A Hindu tonight shot to death Mohandas K. Gandhi, apostle of non-violence and father of the Indian independence.

Police said the frail spiritual leader of India's hundreds of millions of Hindus was killed for "political reasons"—because some persons did not agree with his appeals against violence.

Gandhi, 78, was walking to his prayer meeting grounds, on the Avenue of the Birlas, when he was shot again for an end of communal violence. Three shots rang out at close range. One found his heart. Death came quickly to his emaciated body, wasted in a recent fast in the cause of peace and the rival religious sects of India and Pakistan.

The riots broke out within a matter of minutes after the news of Gandhi's death was flashed to this teeming Indian metropolis.

The riots started in three areas—all of them long festering crisis districts and strongholds of the Hindu extremist movement, the Hindu Mahasava group.

The riots started in the Golpitha, Nagpada and Birgaum areas. It was not immediately ascertained whether the trouble was launched by pre-arrangement with the assassination of Gandhi being the signal for attacks by the Hindu extremist groups.

Looting of Moslem shops broke out in the Kaldabevi Road section in the heart of Bombay. Shopkeepers hastily locked their shops and put in place their heavy iron anti-riot gratings.

One prominent Moslem woman, on hearing of Gandhi's death, cried "God help us all!" Throughout mixed Hindu-Moslem areas tension rose; crowds began to pelt each other with stones and police were sent to trouble areas.

Police fired into the Tulla Bazaar area of quell the mobs and riot reports said more than 10 persons had been injured and many arrested.

A government order was issued to all offices to close on Saturday as a mark of respect for the "departed father of the nation."

Salvation Army to Set Up Local Unit

K. E. Moss, field representative of the Salvation Army for the state of Arkansas, was in Hope this week in the interest of organizing a Salvation Army Service Unit committee for Hempstead county.

According to Mr. Moss, this committee met at the Barlow hotel on Thursday at noon with a luncheon and the following officers were elected: Guy E. Bayse, Chairman; Roy Anderson, Treasurer; Miss Norma Lewis, Secretary.

Other committee members present were Roy Hammons, James H. Jones, E. R. Brown, Key, J. E. Cooper, Claude Tillery, E. P. Young, Jr., Charles A. Armigage, and Mrs. Alicia Jones. Others who have consented to serve on this committee but were unable to be present were George W. Peck and Albert Graves.

Mr. Moss explained to the group the functions of the Salvation Army Unit Committee in that an annual campaign for funds would be conducted and one-third of the funds raised would be retained in the hands of the local committee to be used locally for such welfare and social needs that the committee would see fit, and the remainder of the funds would go to the support of the general Salvation Army program throughout the division.

This plan would also eliminate the taking of collections with the tambores by the Salvation Army worker as has been the practice in the past, Mr. Moss said.

The committee Thursday set a quota of \$2,400 to be raised in Hempstead county and May 1 was set as the date to begin the campaign.

Mr. Moss stated that he had been accorded a very fine reception by all whom he had met in Hope this week and was very appreciative of the good feeling for the Salvation Army and its work.

Injuries Fatal to Local Man in New Mexico

Arl Russell Pickard, aged 42, native of Hope, died in a Hobbs, N.M. hospital last night of injuries suffered Wednesday in a gas-refinery explosion.

He is survived by his wife and daughter, Lottie Catherine of Eunice, N.M.; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pickard of near Hope; a brother, Jesse Pickard of Hope; two sisters, Mrs. Evie Downs of Hope and Mrs. George Perry of Hobbs, N.M.

His body will be returned to Hope for burial. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Third District Stock Representatives to Attend State Meet

At a meeting at Hotel Barlow last night local Third District livestock representatives named Kenneth Harrison and Oliver were named to a committee to go to Little Rock for the state meeting next Monday and Tuesday, February 2, 3.

Thaw Starts in Hope; Saturday to Be Warmer

Warmer weather gave Hope a slight thaw today but not enough to get this city from under the grip of ice which has had practically everything at a standstill all week.

Low temperature last night was 23 degrees with a high of 27 degrees. There was a trace of snow during the night and rain and sleet measuring .10 of an inch, according to the Experiment Station.

Schools all over the county remained closed today but will remain closed Monday if the weather permits. Highways are still icy and hazardous. Motorists were warned not to travel unless absolutely necessary. There was some hope that roads would be in considerably safer shape tomorrow.

The weather forecast was cloudy with freezing rain or snow in north portion. It was scheduled to get warmer this afternoon, will remain partly cloudy tonight, and Saturday but will be considerably warmer Sunday.

Little Rock, Jan. 30 —(P)—Arkansas today has its warmest weather in a week, but fresh snow, sleet and freezing rain and a forecast of more of the same offered little prospect that the state might get rid of its icy blanket.

The low temperature reported in the state early today was 23 degrees at Pine Bluff, Harrison and Morrilton. Little Rock had a low of 24 and was expected to have a maximum of 30 to 32 today. A low of 22 degrees is forecast for the capital of tonight.

New snow, sleet or rain was widespread as night out was light in most instances.

The U. S. Weather Bureau predicted freezing rain or snow in north and central portions of the state "not so cold" weather this afternoon and tomorrow.

While temperatures still were not expected to rise enough today to melt the snow and ice layer, the extended forecast is for a slight trend to continue through Monday.

Minimum temperatures early today included: Camden, 24; Fort Smith and Texarkana, 25.

The Arkansas river was reported frozen over at Fort Smith and Vanhook.

Eighteen persons have died as a direct or indirect result of the state's latest cold wave, the most severe in many years.

Reporting highways still "are hazardous," the State Police Department said today that drivers are complying with a request to "stay at home" and that of those trying the roads "a few are getting through and a lot are winding up in ditches."

But service remained at a virtual standstill and trains, though getting through, were running from 30 minutes to six hours behind schedule.

Schools at Little Rock and other cities remained closed.

The Arkansas-Louisiana Gas company, which were doing all possible to prevent hardships under short fuel supplies. A Corning hospital ran out of butane yesterday but dealers pooled their supplies to rush fuel to the institution.

Butane dealers said there was a scarcity of butane but the principal difficulty was transportation of the fuel.

Truman Puts GOP on Spot With Demand

By JACK BELL
Washington, Jan. 30 —(P)—President Truman's demand for control of grain by distillers put congressional Republicans on a political hot spot today.

Some GOP members admitted privately that Mr. Truman has used the anti-inflation law to maneuver them into squaring between the dries and the wets.

Their plight is this: Kentucky, thick with distilleries, is a doubtful state in this year's presidential election. Kansas, for instance, has a lot of dries who don't think grain ought to go into whiskey at any time.

The anti-inflation law passed in the 1947 special session gave the president power to restrict grain for distilling until Jan. 31, tomorrow.

The Senate voted to extend this power to Feb. 29. But the House Banking Committee killed that bill Monday.

Under the anti-inflation law the distillers could still get together with the Agriculture Department and agree to cut down on their output of grain. They could agree to split up what they do use.

But President Truman told Congress yesterday this provision of the GOP law has flopped. The distillers haven't been able to agree, he said. Hence he asked Congress to extend his grain rationing authority until Oct. 31.

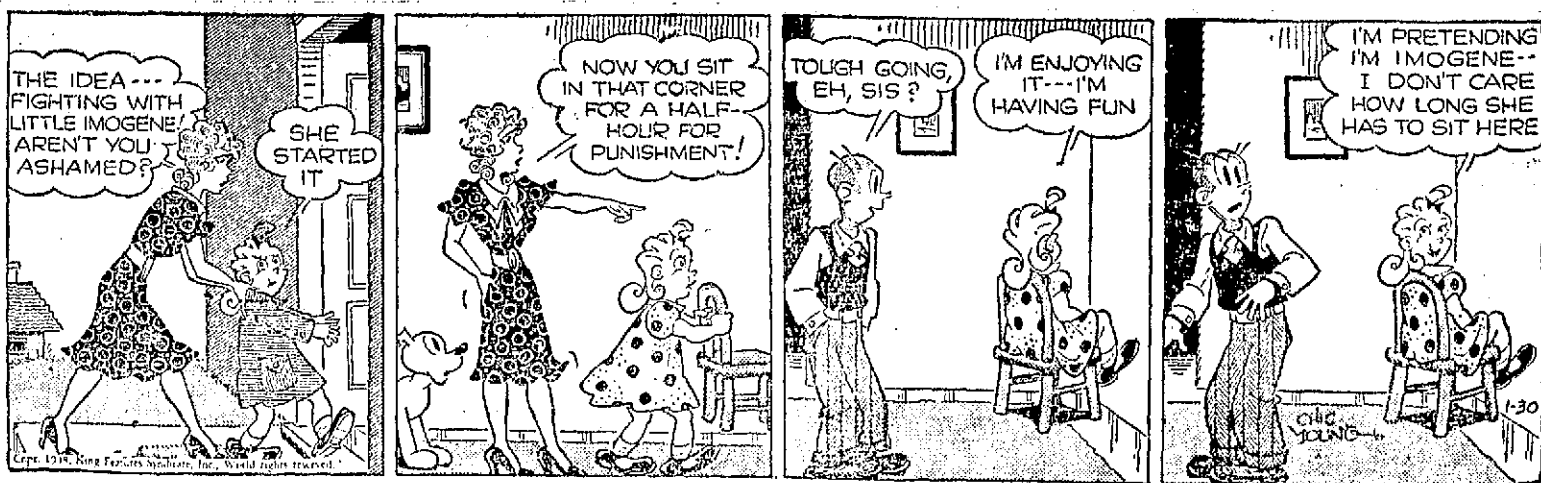
Otherwise the distillers will be free, after tomorrow, to go into the market and buy what grain they can find.

The president said the distillers shouldn't be allowed to do that. Controls are needed, he said, so that at least 500,000,000 bushels of wheat from the new crop may be exported to help feed Europe.

The dries applauded this view. The distillers retorted that some exported grain is being made into whiskey. They asked: Why not make it into grain alcohol? The Agriculture Department has an answer for that. Congress.

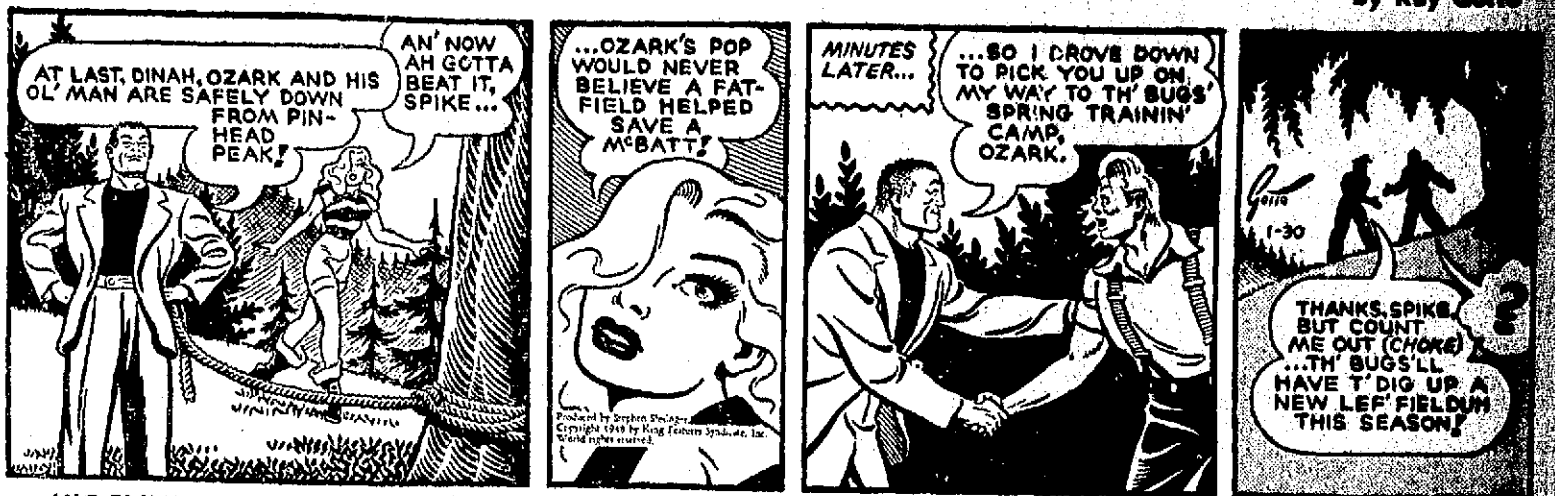
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By Chick Young

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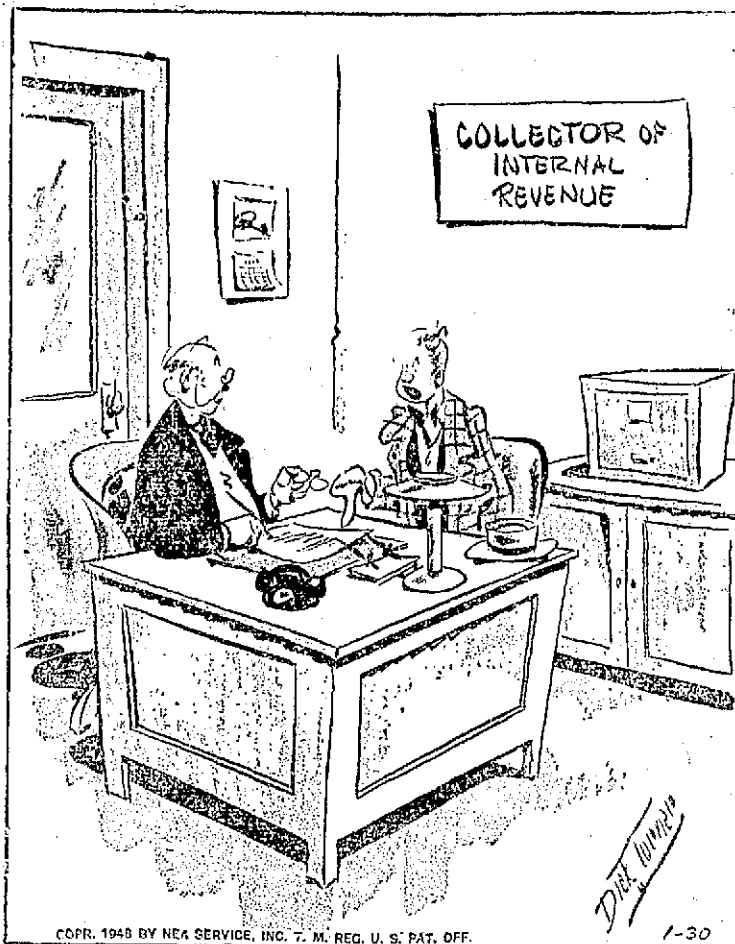
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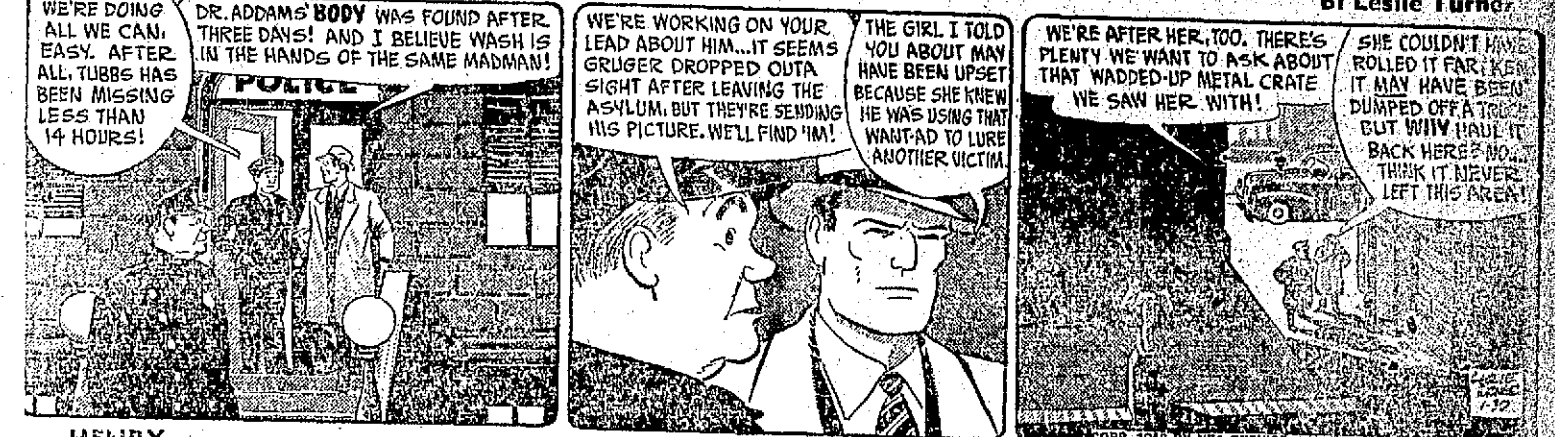


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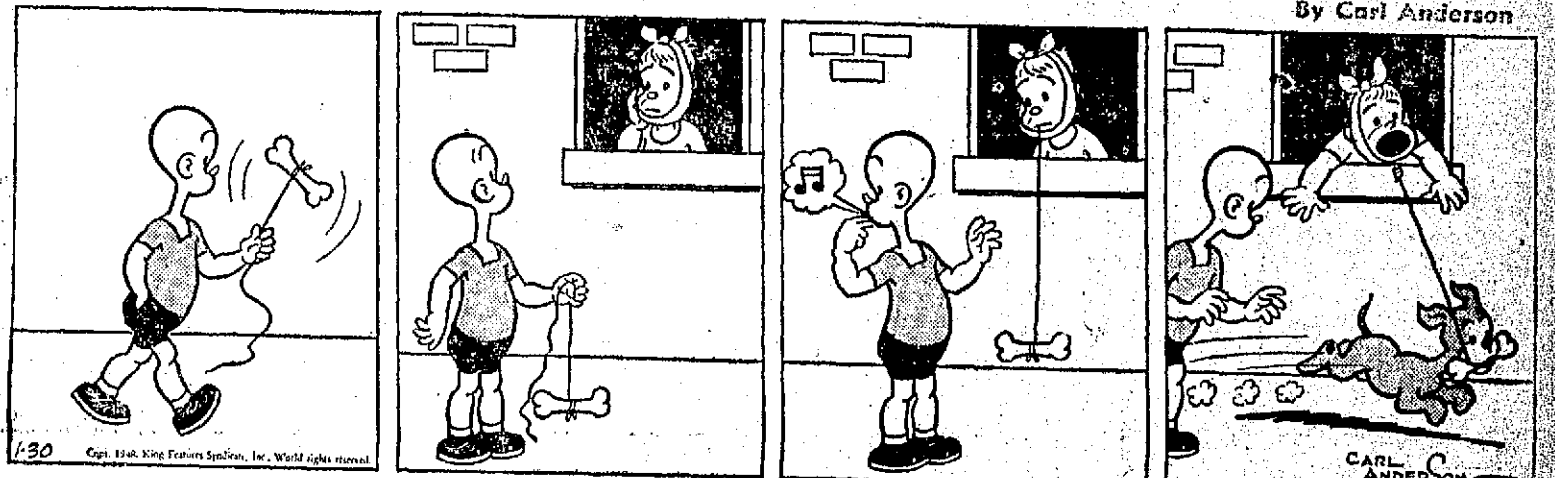


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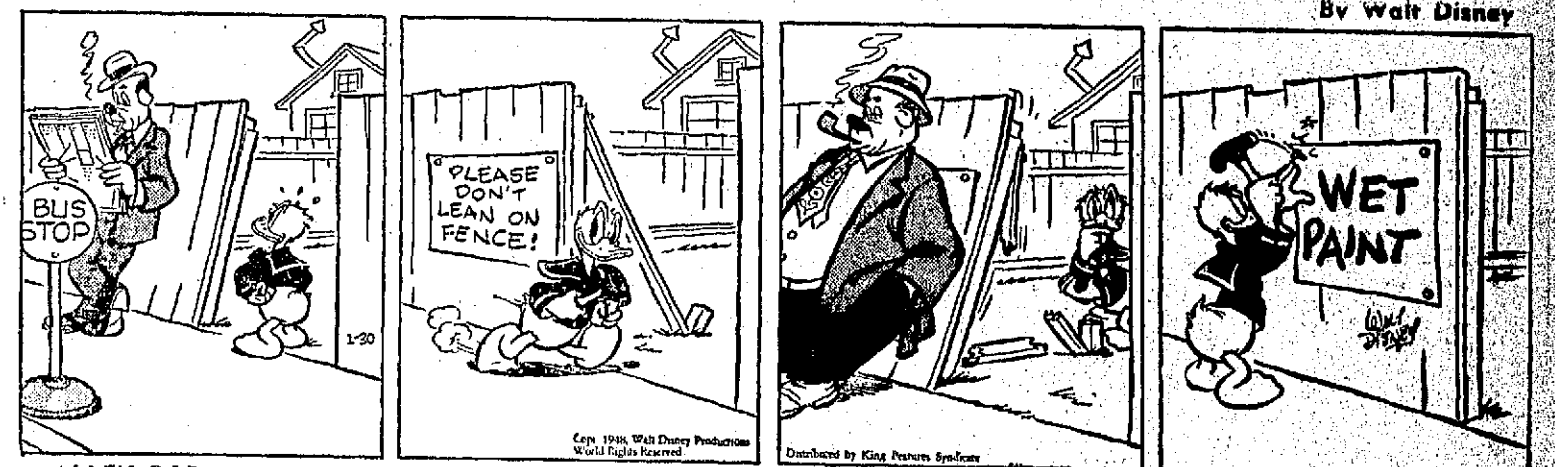
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By Walt Disney



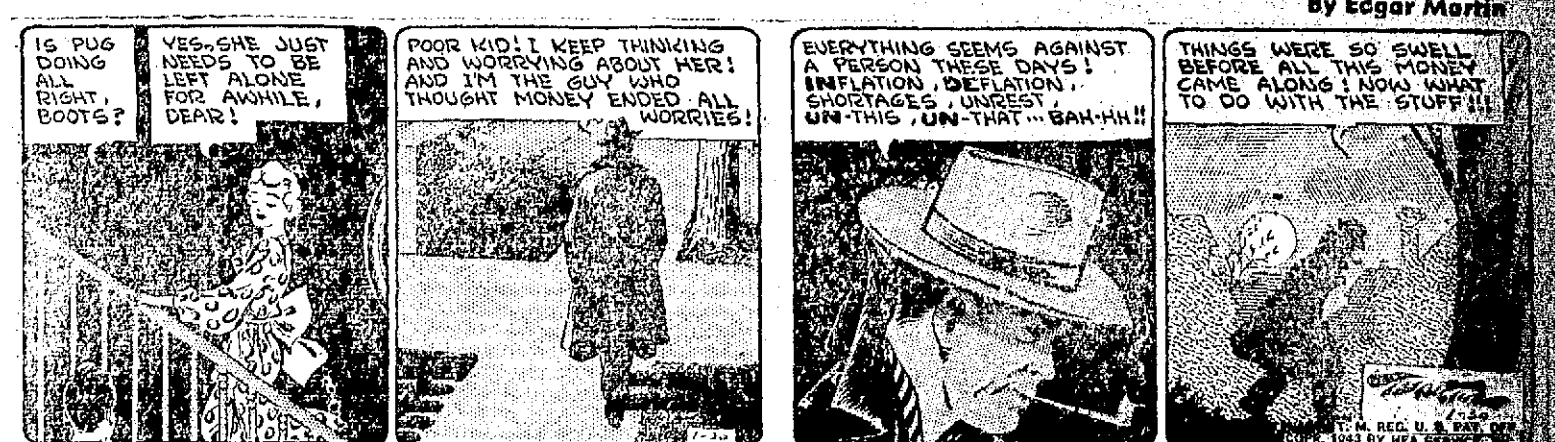
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By Edgar Martin



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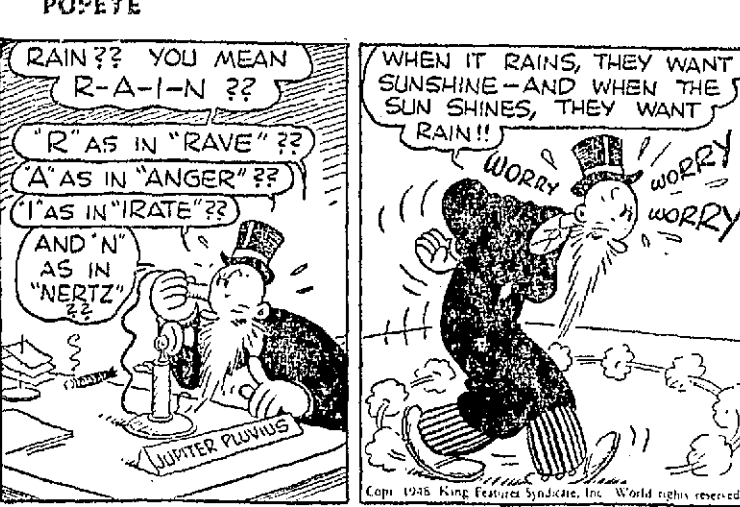
"Jack prides himself on being a self-made man!"

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

By Blosser



Thimble Theater



OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



OUR BOARDING HOUSE

With Major Hoople



Thrilling Love Story and Super Mystery Unreeled in 'Lured'

Opens Sunday for 3 Days at Saenger

Something new, stirring and sensational in screen entertainment is presented in the psychological mystery-romance, "Lured," comes to the Saenger Theater on Sunday through United Artists release.

Enlisting a distinguished cast of outstanding screen favorites in co-starring roles, such as George Sanders, Lucille Ball, Charles Coburn, Boris Karloff, this superb Hunt Stormberg production possesses in good measure every element necessary for out-of-the-ordinary film fare.

The production is given elaborate and unique treatment. In its sumptuous settings and strangely compelling atmosphere, the story rises to unimagined heights in the realm of mystery-chillers.

"Lured" was produced by James Nasser under the executive supervision of Hunt Stormberg, who can definitely add this unusual film to his long roster of successes. Douglas Sirk can take the boys for its direction, with Nicolai Rimsky-Korsakov's famous Hollywood designer, in charge of the elaborate sets, and Edna Jennings taking credit for the beautiful costumes worn by Miss Ball throughout the film.

When an American girl working in London, whose best friend disappears, and is thought murdered, after answering an ad in the personal column of a daily newspaper, Lucille Ball plays the fast-talking, alert American girl to perfection. She is willing to put up with the boys for its part when Inspector Temple (Charles Coburn) of Scotland Yard elicits her aid to round up a dangerous maniac responsible for this and many similar crimes. During the course of Lucille's hair-raising adventures, she meets up with many strange, suspicious characters like Boris Karloff, Joseph Calleia, George Zucco and Sir Cedric Hardwicke. Even George Sanders, with whom she has a swift, overpower-

Twin Victory for French Government

By The Associated Press
Paris, Jan. 30 (AP)—The government won a double victory for its money program in the national assembly today and took a new lease on life.

Its bill to stop circulation of about \$1,540,000,000 worth of 5,000-franc notes was adopted, after an all-night debate. The vote was 308 to 266. Premier Robert Schuman had said his coalition cabinet, two months old would resign unless it passed.

Another administration bill, to free the gold market, hopped a preliminary hurdle. The assembly turned down the unfavorable recommendation of its own finance commission. The tally was 223 to 240.

After that, the assembly adjourned. It planned to meet again this afternoon for more debate on the gold bill. The measure was believed to have a good chance of assembly approval.

Bills passed by the assembly then go before the council of the republic, parliament's second house. The assembly can override the council, if that chamber votes down a measure. On the monetary measure, it would be expected to do so.

Withdrawal of the 5,000-franc banknote, worth about \$23.50, is aimed, the government says, to cramp black marketeers and hit hoarders. They are reported reliably to hold half of all such bills.

The step also may cut down the total amount of money in circulation and strike at inflation — high prices. This depends on how the notes are redeemed — something the government has not announced.

The 5,000,000 5,000-franc notes outstanding are about 37 per cent of all francs.

Socialist deputies swung their support to the government in today's vote on both bills. They had decided to abstain on the gold issue. They said a free gold market would work against a planned economy.

But chairman assured them early today that the currency measure was aimed at the black market. They then caucused and were reported agreed to back the bill.

Subsequently the Socialists voted with the government to override finance commission recommendations against both measures and to adopt the proposal on the 5,000-franc note.

A Tense Moment in "Lured"



Lucille Ball introduces her fiancé, George Sanders, to Scotland Yard Inspector Charles Coburn. Scene is from "Lured," the United Artists release at the Saenger Theater starting Sunday.

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millions of his followers, he was known as Mahatma, or great-souled one. His full name was Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi.

Bystanders said Gandhi slumped forward as the third shot rang out. He seemed unconscious as he was carried to his quarters in Birla house. The secretary said death followed within a half hour.

A crowd of several hundred persons gathered about Birla house, many of them weeping.

Death came less than a year after he achieved his life's main goal of independence from Great Britain for the teeming subcontinent of India. Paradoxically, however, Gandhi considered his triumph a failure because India and her 400,000,000 people were divided into separate dominions of Indian (Hindu) and Pakistan (Muslim).

The partition resulted in bloody, destructive communal warfare between Muslims on one side and Hindus and Sikhs on the other.

It was in an effort to end the bloodshed that Gandhi undertook this month the last of his many fasts. After five days in which he threatened to starve himself to death, Gandhi broke his fast Jan. 18 on the "pledge and counsel" of friends in both dominions. He said they had assured him of "complete unbroken friendship" between all communities.

During the tense days of his fast, some of the more militant shouted bitterly in the streets and before his living Gandhi die.

But there was every indication that this was the view of a tiny minority, embittered by the communal warfare.

Shortly after the fast, a bomb exploded near by prayer meeting, also in the Birla Mansion estate, but did no harm. A Hindu was arrested.

Some Hindus, their womenfolk violated in the communal up-heavals, had resented Gandhi's pleas for peace with the Muslims.

Gandhi, born to the upper Hindu caste, espoused the cause of the untouchables in latter years. Educated as a lawyer in London, he organized his first civil disobedience campaigns among Indians in South Africa early in the century. He returned to India in 1915 and became recognized leader of the Nationalists in 1925.

He attracted world attention in 1930 by leading 70 volunteers on a march from Ahmadabad to Dandi on the Gulf of Bombay to make salt illegally, in a protest against the British salt tax.

A victim of violence, Gandhi throughout his life urged his followers to campaigns of non-violence even when the Japanese threatened and actually invaded India. His brushes with the British

Shirley Temple Gives Birth to a Daughter

Santa Monica, Calif., Jan. 30 (AP)—Shirley Temple, who not so long ago was a famous movie child star, became a mother today.

While husband John Agar paced a waiting room, Shirley gave birth to a daughter, Dr. William C. Bradbury said both were doing nicely.

The child, to be named Linda Susan, weighed seven pounds, six ounces. Shirley herself was born in the same Santa Monica hospital, April 23, 1929.

caused him to spend a total of 12 years in prisons.

"I always get the best bargains from behind prison bars," he once said.

The British treated him with increasing benevolence through the years but as late as 1942, the British Secretary of State for India, L. S. Amery, declared him an "arbitrary saboteur" because of a civil disobedience campaign he engineered in which thousands of Indians were in Burma as the door of India.

Gandhi's wife died in February of 1944 while she and Gandhi were confined by the British in the palace of the Aga Khan. They were married at the ages of 13 and lived together 61 years. After the birth of her fourth son, she and Gandhi lived together as brother and sister at his suggestion.

New Delhi, Jan. 30 (AP)—Mohandas K. Gandhi was shot tonight at a prayer meeting and his personal secretary said Gandhi died a short time later.

Gandhi was 78 years old.

The assassin was described as a civilian Hindu from Poona. He was seized by police immediately after the firing of three shots from a range of only a few feet. The accused man was taken to a police station and held incommunicado.

Gandhi, for many years spiritual leader of the Congress party and a spearhead in the Hindu fight for independence from the British, only 12 days ago completed a fast which threatened his life. Gandhi undertook the fast in an effort to smooth relations between Muslims and Hindus.

Gandhi's Secretary, S. Kalyanani, wept as he told the Associated Press.

"Bapu is dead."

Bapu was a familiar, affectionate name for the Hindu leader.

The secretary walked away, sobbing.

The shooting scene was a match of lawn on the grounds of palatial Birla mansion, from which Gandhi since December had been conducting public prayer meetings. It was there that he undertook his recent fast. Gandhi said the recent fast against the advice of his physicians. He went without food for five days.

The effects of his gesture became noticeable at once. Peace, however uneasy, had overtaken New Delhi. Two days later, Jan. 21, the bomb exploded near Birla house.

Gandhi asked police to be lenient with the young Hindu who threw it.

"We should not harbor hatred," he said. "I will request the police not to trouble him but to have compassion toward him and make him see the righteous path."

Even as he spoke, the Hindu spiritual leader was too weak to walk from the effects of his long fast. He had been carried to that prayer meeting on a chair.

By The Associated Press
Chicago, Jan. 30 (AP)—Detroit, outpointed Bob Foxworth, 177, East St. Louis, Ill. (four-round exhibition).

Miami, Fla. — Sid Peaks, 214, Chicago, 170 Kid Rivera, 227 1-2, St. Louis, 10.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa. — Bill Poli, 157, Italy, outpointed George Brown, 160, New York, 8.

By United Press
Minneapolis — Jackie Graves, 130, Austin, Minn., knocked out Eddie Damazell, 128 1-2, Cardiff, Wales, (1).

Fall River, Mass. — Roy Andrews, 136, Lowell, Mass., knocked out Steve Kronis, 132, Boston, (5).

Of approximately 422,000 producing oil wells in the United States, only about 4,800 produce oil without pumping.

Democrats 'Confident of Dixie'

By JACK BELL
And EDWIN B. HAAKINSON

Washington, Jan. 30 (AP)—Democratic leaders refused to show nervousness today about a rising Dixie revolt against the policies of President Truman.

They insisted that harsh words from Alabama, Mississippi and South Carolina are no sign there is going to be a sort of "second secession."

The solid South may continue to complain about anti-poll tax, anti-lynch and no-color-line talk from the White House, they conceded privately. But they said it still will go solidly Democratic when the presidential election comes in November.

At Columbia, S. C., 49 members of the South Carolina legislature got into the area yesterday.

They told the state Democratic executive committee affairs have reached the point where "we withdraw from the national organization. However, they declared, it is time to make stock and review our position."

They said they were not suggesting that the state's Democrats should reconsider our position in the national party.

They said the national organization has made a habit of granting concessions "to the sections of the country not 'in the bag,' to those minority groups which so often are the spokesmen advocates of the things they flagrantly repugnant to our views."

In Washington, Mr. Truman himself headed the list of Democrats who seemed to think there is more than fire in southern throats to veer away from his leadership.

Anybody who wants to make a headline, he told a White House news conference yesterday, can get it by attacking the president.

Truman was referring specifically to the announcement of Gov. James E. Folsom of Alabama that he is a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Every politician knows Mr. Truman has a hard time, if he wants it. So Folsom's move added up to a protest against Mr. Truman's plea that Congress set up a commission to prevent race discrimination on jobs, ban the poll tax and make lynching a federal offense.

Gov. Fielding L. Wright of Mississippi recently blasted the president for plugging that sort of legislation. In his state there has even been talk of "seceding" from the Democratic party—of picking presidential electors who might vote for somebody besides the president.

In a close race with the Republican nominee, any successful move of this kind could hurt Mr. Truman.

A Democratic Committee official who didn't want his name used said he doubted that the idea would get very far. He made it clear that the party organization is far more concerned about Negro votes in the northern states where most presidential elections are won or lost.

Senator Elmore (D-La.) said he thinks that while the south has a right to protest against the treatment it is getting from the party, the rebellion will die down.

"The people of the south are not yet ready to secede from the Democratic party," he declared.

Garland Officers Find No Gambling as Alleged

Hot Springs, Jan. 30 (AP)—The Garland county grand jury has reported it found no substantiation for assertions that gambling is carried on in the presence of school children in Hot Springs.

The grand jury also commended present law enforcement officials for their stand against gambling and called for continued enforcement of all anti-gambling laws and for public support and co-operation.

The jury said in reply to suggestion that the Spa that no such operations were possible without law violations, suggesting that other means be found to increase city revenues.

Circuit Judge Clyde H. Brown had ordered an investigation after the police committee of the "progressive business men's association" recently issued a statement that "sidewalk" gambling was being carried on here.

British Coal Production Vital to Own Economy and Recovery of all Europe

By DeWITT MacKENIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Britain's coal production not only is the most important item in her economic crisis but it is vital to the recovery of western Europe as a whole — facts which months ago impelled the harassed government to set a goal of 200,000,000 tons a year as essential.

The need for coal is so great that Foreign Secretary Bevin some time back declared in effect — haven't his exact words before me that if he were given 20,000,000 tons for export he could change the whole European picture. Well, it looks as though Mr. Bevin might get his wish, and thereby hang a remarkable story which has been brought to me by a party of British coal miners — horny handed union officials who have spent much of their lives digging in the dark caverns of the earth for coal.

Our account fits in with the moral and spiritual rehabilitation which I have reported in this column as showing itself in many parts of Europe. The widespread recognition of its need is what inspired Sir Stafford Cripps, minister of economic affairs and chancellor of the exchequer, to declare that there would be no regeneration of British industry unless the nation took "fresh drafts of Christian truth."

A couple of months or so ago a wave of moral rearmament swept into the pivotal coal pits of North Staffordshire and spread to neighboring coalfields. Since then the output of coal in this area has jumped something like forty-five percent — and within sixty miles of North Staffordshire some 75 percent of Britain's coal is produced.

The position now is that if other coal fields should come up to the record of North Staffordshire, Britain not only would attain her goal of 200,000,000 tons but would have some 30,000,000 tons for export.

How has this happened? Well, of course the government's urgent appeal to the miners has spurred their effort, but the startling advance of production in the North Staffordshire area has come since moral rearmament hit the area in the shape of a play, "The Forgotten Factor" — a story of moral rehabilitation beginning in the home and echoing in industry. It's a dream which inspires a spirit of teamwork, of mutual trust and co-operation, of good-fellowship, honesty, fair-play and unselfishness. In short, as described to me by the miners, it looks like horse-sense religion, based on the golden rule.

William (Bill) Yates, branch president of the National Union of Miners at the famous Victoria pit, North Staffordshire, was one of the group with whom I talked over the luncheon table. His pit has been far exceeding its target since the comparatively recent advent of "The Forgotten Factor." Bill is as hard as nails, and a man of few and blunt words. I asked him how production had risen and why. He replied:

"The wife and I used not to agree. We were on the edge of breaking up. And I took my unhappiness to the pit. So when the manager and I met, we used to do a good deal of banging the table. There was constant trouble. Then I went to see 'The Forgotten Factor.' We got things straight at home. I went to see the manager and said: 'Let's run this pit the moral rearmament way.' He agreed — and the men like it much better. We haven't had a single row or stoppage since then."

"The increased output is due to the new honesty and unselfishness produced by M. R. A."

There's a lot more to the story, but one striking point is this: The consultative committees, representing labor and management, of 15 pits from every coal field in Britain have asked for this moral rearmament play to be shown in their localities.

So the moral rehabilitation spreads, just as it also is doing on the European continent — a mighty lift to a troubled world.

Threatens to Call Off Winter Games

St. Moritz, Switzerland, Jan. 30 (AP)—An authoritative Swiss source said today the International Olympics Committee has threatened to cancel the entire fifth winter Olympics tomorrow if hockey continues.

The source said he had received the threat "informally" and commented:

"There will be hockey tomorrow. Let us see what the IOC will do."

The disclosure came shortly after the United States Amateur Hockey Association team, which has been involved in a bitter controversy with the U. S. Olympic Committee, bowed to Switzerland in the first hockey match, 5-4.

The status of the most popular and festive games in 1938 at Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, when Hitler presided and the Nazis flaunted their military might.

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The International Olympic Committee had voted previously to bar both the AFA and the U. S. Olympic Committee teams, which were involved in a squabble over which would represent the United States.

"Hockey is definitely out of the Olympics program," Avery Brundage, head of the American Olympic delegation said shortly before the parade started.

Swiss simplicity predominated in the opening ceremony—a contrast to the festive games in 1938 at Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, when Hitler presided and the Nazis flaunted their military might.

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Herb Pennock, Phil Manager, Succumbs

New York, Jan. 30 (AP)—Herb Pennock, general manager of the Philadelphia Phillies, died today in a New York hospital of a cerebral hemorrhage. He had collapsed in the lobby of the Waldorf Astoria hotel as he was about to go into a league meeting.

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